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Inventor: Focke, Heinz, et al.

Title: Process for Producing Hinge-Lid Boxes for Cigarettes

Filing Date: November 28, 2000

Serial No.: 09/724,016

Group Art Unit: 3721; Confirmation No.: 7235

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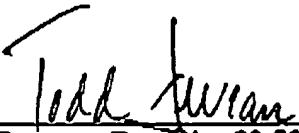
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Title:	Process and Apparatus for Producing Hinge-Lid Boxes for Cigarettes		

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Applicant(s): FOCKE, Heinz et al.					
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Sir:

The Office Action, Paper No. 07282005, from Examiner Sameh Tawfik of Art Unit 3721, mailed August 1, 2005, has been received and carefully reviewed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections presented in the Office Action in view of the following remarks and amendment.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that any additional fees are required beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, any additional fees that are required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.